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Application Notes for Configuring Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable with Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones - Issue 1.0

Abstract

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required to integrate the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable with Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones using H.323 and SIP protocols. The EncorePro 710/720 headsets provide two-way audio with a flexible mic. This solution does not provide call control features directly from the headset, such as answering or terminating a call from the headset. Volume control and mute are provided directly from the Avaya IP deskphone.

Readers should pay attention to **Section** Error! Reference source not found., in particular the scope of testing as outlined in **Section** Error! Reference source not found. as well as the observations noted in **Section** Error! Reference source not found., to ensure that their own use cases are adequately covered by this scope and results.

Information in these Application Notes has been obtained through DevConnect compliance testing and additional technical discussions. Testing was conducted via the DevConnect Program at the Avaya Solution and Interoperability Test Lab.

1. Introduction

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required to integrate the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable with Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphone using H.323 and SIP protocols. The EncorePro 710/720 headsets provide two-way audio with a flexible mic. This solution does not provide call control features directly from the headset, such as answering or terminating a call from the headset. Volume control and mute are provided directly from the Avaya digital deskphone. The following headsets and accessories were tested:

- HIS Adapter Cable – provides Quick Disconnect for connecting corded headsets directly to Avaya deskphone.
- EncorePro HW710 – Monaural wireless headset.
- EncorePro HW720 – Binaural wireless headset.

2. General Test Approach and Test Results

The interoperability compliance test included feature and serviceability testing. The feature testing focused on placing calls to and from the Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones with Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable and verifying two-way audio. The call types included calls to voicemail, to and from local extensions, to and from the PSTN.

The serviceability testing focused on verifying the usability of the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 headsets after restarting the Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones and re-connecting the headset to the deskphone.

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Avaya's formal testing and Declaration of Conformity is provided only on the headsets/handsets that carry the Avaya brand or logo. Avaya may conduct testing of non-Avaya headset/handset to determine interoperability with Avaya phones. However, Avaya does not conduct the testing of non-Avaya headsets/handsets for: Acoustic Pressure, Safety, Hearing Aid Compliance, EMC regulations, or any other tests to ensure conformity with safety, audio quality, long-term reliability or any regulation requirements. As a result, Avaya makes no representations whether a particular non-Avaya headset will work with Avaya's deskphones or with a different generation of the same Avaya Deskphone.

Since there is no industry standard for handset interfaces, different manufacturers utilize different handset/headset interfaces with their deskphones. Therefore, any claim made by a headset vendor that its product is compatible with Avaya deskphones does not equate to a guarantee that the headset will provide adequate safety protection or audio quality.

2.1. Interoperability Compliance Testing

All test cases were performed manually. The following features were verified:

- Placing calls to the voicemail system. Voice messages were recorded and played back to verify that the playback volume and recording level were acceptable.
- Placing and receiving calls to and from internal extensions to verify two-way audio.
- Placing and receiving calls to and from the PSTN to verify two-way audio.
- Verify ring back tone for outgoing calls.
- Verify ring alert for incoming calls.
- Toggling between handset, speaker phone and headset.
- Using the volume control buttons on Avaya deskphone to adjust the audio volume.
- Using the mute control button on Avaya deskphone to mute and un-mute the audio.
- Using the headset with 9641G(SIP), 9608(H.323) IP deskphones

For the serviceability testing, the 96x1 Series IP Deskphone was restarted to verify proper operation of the headsets after the reboot was completed.

2.2. Test Results

Testing was completed successfully with the following observations/limitations.

- Incoming call alert is not heard through headset, it is heard through phone.

2.3. Support

For technical support and information on Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets, contact Plantronics Support at:

- Phone: 1-855-765-7878
1-831-426-5858 (International)
- Website: <http://www.plantronics.com/us/support/index.jsp>

3. Reference Configuration

Figure 1 illustrates the test configuration used to verify the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable with Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones using H.323 and SIP protocols. The configuration consists of an Avaya Aura® Communication Manager Virtual Environment (VM) with Avaya Aura® Media Server VM and an Avaya G450 Media Gateway which supports the 96x1 Series IP Deskphones. The Session Manager/System Manager VM provides connectivity to the simulated SIP PSTN via SIP trunk (not shown). In addition, the SIP endpoint registered with Session Manager and configured via System Manager. Avaya Aura® Messaging was used as the voicemail system. The Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets were connected to the Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable which in turn connected to the headset port of the Avaya IP deskphone.

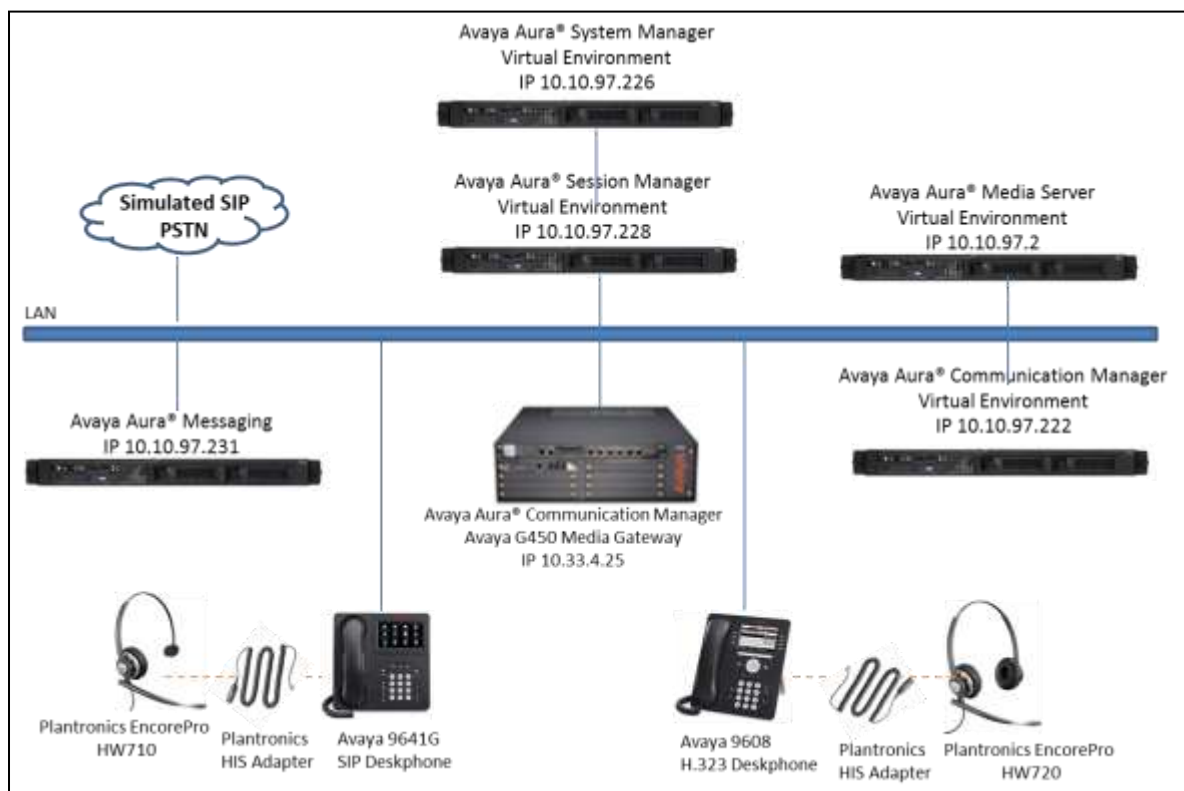


Figure 1: Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphone with Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable.

4. Equipment and Software Validated

The following equipment and software were used for the sample configuration provided:

Equipment	Software
Avaya Aura® Communication Manager in Virtual Environment	7.0 SP1
Avaya G450 Media Gateway	37.20.0
Avaya Aura® Media Server Virtual Environment	7.7 SP2 (v.7.7.0.281)
Avaya Aura® System Manager	7.0.0.1
Avaya Aura® Session Manager	7.0 SP1
Avaya Aura® Messaging	6.3.2
Avaya 9641G IP Deskphone (SIP)	7.0.39
Avaya 9608 IP Deskphone (H.323)	6.6029U
Plantronics EncorePro HW710	P/N 78712-101
Plantronics EncorePro HW720	P/N 78714-101
Plantronics HHS-1 Adapter Cable	P/N 72442-41

5. Configure Avaya Aura® Communication Manager

This section displays the station configuration for the Avaya 96x1 IP Deskphone. The configuration is performed via the System Access Terminal (SAT) on Avaya Aura® Communication Manager.

5.1. Configure a Station for Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphone

These Application Notes assume that the Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones are configured and operational in Avaya Aura® Communication Manager. There are no additional settings required for the connection of the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable to the Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones.

An example of a 96x1 Series IP Station provisioned in Avaya Aura® Communication Manager is illustrated below.

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display station 56106                                     Page 1 of 5
                                                         STATION
Extension: 56106                                         Lock Messages? n      BCC: 0
Type: 9608                                              Security Code: *      TN: 1
Port: S00017                                           Coverage Path 1:      COR: 1
Name: OSix                                             Coverage Path 2:      COS: 1
                                                         Hunt-to Station:      Tests? y
                                                         STATION OPTIONS
                                                         Time of Day Lock Table:
Loss Group: 19                                         Personalized Ringing Pattern: 1
                                                         Message Lamp Ext: 56106
Speakerphone: 2-way                                   Mute Button Enabled? y
Display Language: english                             Button Modules: 0
Survivable GK Node Name:
Survivable COR: internal                               Media Complex Ext:
Survivable Trunk Dest? y                             IP SoftPhone? n
                                                         IP Video? n
                                                         Short/Prefixed Registration Allowed: default
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5.2. Configure a Station for Avaya 96x1 Series SIP Deskphone

The SIP station was configured automatically through System Manager. Use the **display station** command to view the station for the 9641G IP deskphone. The **Station Type** was set to *9641SIP* and a descriptive **Name** was also provided. Use the default values for the other fields on **Page 1**.

Note: To enable Auto Answer on the IP deskphone set the **Auto Answer** field on **Page 2** (not shown) to the appropriate value, such as *all*.

display station 56201		Page 1 of 6
STATION		
Extension: 56201	Lock Messages? n	BCC: M
Type: 9641SIP	Security Code:	TN: 1
Port: S00001	Coverage Path 1:	COR: 1
Name: Two, OOne	Coverage Path 2:	COS: 1
	Hunt-to Station:	
STATION OPTIONS		
	Time of Day Lock Table:	
Loss Group: 19		
	Message Lamp Ext: 56201	
Display Language: english	Button Modules: 0	
Survivable COR: internal		
Survivable Trunk Dest? y	IP SoftPhone? y	
	IP Video Softphone? y	
Short/Prefixed Registration Allowed: default		

6. Connect the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets

Connect the EncorePro 710/720 headsets to the Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable, and then connect the HIS cable directly to the headset port of the Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones.

7. Verification Steps

Verify that the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable have been connected to the Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones. Once the headset is connected to the phone, verify that incoming and outgoing calls are established with two-way audio to the headset.

8. Conclusion

These Application Notes describe the configuration steps required to integrate the Plantronics EncorePro 710/720 Headsets and Plantronics HIS Adapter Cable with Avaya 96x1 Series IP Deskphones. All test cases were completed successfully with observations noted in **Section 2.2**.

9. Additional References

The following Avaya product documentation can be found at <http://support.avaya.com>.

- [1] *Administering Avaya Aura™ Communication Manager, Release 7.0 03-300509 Issue 1 August 2015.*
- [2] *Administering Avaya 9601/9608/9608G/9611G/9621G/9641G IP Deskphones SIP, Release 6.5, 16-601944, Issue 1 January 2015.*
- [3] *Administering 9608/9608G/9611G/9621G/9641G IP Deskphones H.323, Release 6.4, 16-300698, Issue 19 June 2014*

The following Plantronics documentation can be found at:

- [1] <http://www.plantronics.com/us/product/his-adapter-cable>
- [2] <http://www.plantronics.com/us/product/encorepro-710-720#fndtn-models>

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